



United States Department of Agriculture

**Student Career Experience Program  
Student Course Self Assessment**

Name:

Duty Station:

**Soil Conservation Requirements:** a degree in soil conservation or a related agricultural or natural resource discipline such as agronomy, soil science, forestry, agriculture education, or agricultural engineering. Participant must have included 30 semester hours in a natural resource or agricultural field, including at least 12 semester hours in a combination of soils and crops or plant science. Of the 12 semester hours, a minimum of 3 semester hours must have been in soil and 3 semester hours in crops or plant science.

Education that provides specialized knowledge and skills in soil and water conservation is more valuable than education that imparts broad but general knowledge and skills. Courses in soil fertility, soil chemistry, soil genesis, plant physiology, plant sciences, and field crops are examples of specialized courses that contribute towards meeting the 12 semester hours as described above. Courses in the physical science or engineering such as geology, civil engineering, and hydrology also meet the soils, crops, or plant science course requirements where such courses included a complete introduction to the physical, chemical, and biological properties of soils.

**30 hours in Natural Resources or Agriculture Courses.**

Course

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**12 hours in Soils and Crops or Plant Science.**

Course

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